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Dear Harold,

Well, this years bad luck has finally been capped off by a coup de gras. Yesterday I got a hospital bill from last summer for $611. I had been assured, although not officially that the bill had been taken care of, since I saved a guy's life during a civil disturbance and actually did the job the police were afraid to do, etc. I will be working like crazy to find a way of getting some organization or agency to pick up the tab. Naturally, I have little money (not to mention a $1200 debt) plus the fact that the money I have in the bank was to go for my support this summer since I have no support as of now.

Enclosed are some slides which may interest you. Thanks for sending me the materials to make the 544 Camp slides. The ##### mug shots of the woman are of Rose Cherami. The rest you should recognize.

Fred is really getting out of hand. Although, as you know, I feel that your condemnatic of him is excessive, there are a number of things about him we agree on. His critical attitude towards you I don't agree with either, and I am getting more and more upset about comments he makes during tense periods. I am very converned about getting him calmed down and working on the photo evidence. True, he is working hard on the Z film now, but he is really saying some crazy things in letters and continually misconstruing and misperceiving things I write him. He is incredibly sensative to criticism to the point of paranoia about it, in that playing the devil's advocate to his work causes him to get very anxious and disturbed. In any event, here are some things in his last letter which concern you. Please treat them as totally confidential and when you make any comments about them in future letters, try to think in terms of things which happened which could have been misconstrued or seen through colored lenses, etc. We have got to start analyzing these failures of logic and mispercep#-tions or nobody will talk to anybody soon:

The reason that Lillian won't send things to Weisberg is because he has taken her research and claimed that it was his. I saw him do this on TV here another time. He always claims that he discovered something first, or that someone stole his research. For instance, Lillia developed Willis #5/Z202 and sent it to Sylvia. Harold saw this research at Sylvia's,and changed it enough so he could call it his and included it in his book. He has admitted to Lillian that he did this, according to Lillian. And I'll take Lillian's word any day over Harold Weisberg's.

Harold's (sic) unethical and has a history of this, including stating that Leibler backed out of a debate with him. Can you imagine Leibler being afraid to debate Harold? I saw Leibler wipe the floor with Harold on TV here. I'm not saying Leibler had the best arguments, all I'm saying is that Leibler is a better debater than Harold. Lane can handle Leibler in a debate and it's a good match to see them. (I have.)

Harold lived here with me for a week so don't tell me I don't know him. Harold's idea of how to show his appreciation for my putting him up in my house was to make passes at my wife. Bradley (CIA executioner that he is) and Jaffe (agent that he is) would never dream of doing this. Marlynn finially (sic) asked me to take her along whenever I left the house, and told me why. Harold has bad manners.

Harold called Maggie and said that if she didn't send $200 for him for living expenses so tha he could continue his investigation, Jim's case would be lost. Now, I would rather die than do this. Not Harold though.. Maggie thinks Harold has bad manners too!

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Harold has a camp stool set up right next to the mail box and probably is the first to greet the postman in Jim's office, "Hi Hank, what ya got in the old mail sack today for us?"

By now, Harold, you are probably raging with anger, but don't, if for no other reason than it isn't worth it. I only communicate these things to you with hesitation, and a bit of faith that you will understand them for what they are. Fred's whole letter consisted largely (5 pages worth) of raving about me and my failures which is even sicker in many respects, because just months ago I was the only person he said he could trust in the critic community. Logic and reason are lost on him. After raving about how the critics spread gossip about Bradley, Lifton, and Thornley and how Ray spreads it about him, he goes and does the same things in spades. These particular complaints were a bit too far out of hand for myself, as a close friend of yours, to take just as a clinical psychologist. I wrote a lengthy and stiff reply, but was in too upset a state of mind to remember to make a carbon for you. I had hoped that Marlynn, with whom I have good rappore, would help keep him in line, but from his claim that she said you made passes at her, something I find quite hard to believe, I don't know. Believe it or not, Dave Lifton is far more stable and more reliable than Fred, and his attitudes on a number of things have mellowed after long discussions and arguments with me, so that perhaps now he can help a bit to calm Fred down. By the way, I assume that you will be getting a copy of the Z film sometime soon, since I got mine yesterday. Despite Fred's ravings about the violation of people's rights and Garrison's irresponsibility, he failed to confront Lane when he saw Mark on the West Coast, although he knows that Lane is the central figure in Garrison's bad ways. Unless I get some sort of a reasonable answer to my most recent letter, I don't expect that I could tolerate much more correspondence with him, despite the fact that one of us should be in touch with what he is doing and try to keep him in line and criticise his work.

A recent letter from Bud indicates that he is going on a 5 week swing through the South and southwest. Sprague apparently sent Fred an outline of a manuscript he is preparing. He claims to be looking for a publisher. Fred was finally asked to join the CTIA and t;urned it down, saying that they had been irresponsible publicly, like in claiming links between the assassinations.

The rest of the items are self-explanatory. I have written Gibbons for more details of the Bolden stuff.

Best wishes to you and your wife. I am emotionally and physically exhausted.

Harry